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REMARKS

An RCE was filed on May 4, 2005. Claims 3-6, 8-11, 17, and 22-25 are all of the claims presently pending in the application. New claims 22-25 are added by this Preliminary Amendment.

It is noted that Applicant specifically states that no amendment to any claim herein should be construed as a disclaimer of any interest in or right to an equivalent of any element or feature of the amended claim.

The claim amendments and new claims are intended to address the concern of the Examiner expressed during the personal interview held on April 14, 2005, that the claim wording fails to imply an agreement between the user terminal and the owner of the application being processed. Although Applicant considers that such agreement is implicit in the term "license", these claim amendments and new claims are added for purpose of expediting prosecution.

The claim amendments and new claims are supported in the original specification particularly at lines 4-5 of page 21, but also at lines 9-13 of page 3, lines 23-26 of page 4, lines 11-15 of page 10, and at lines 20-24 of page 15.

FORMAL MATTERS AND CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 3-6, 8-11, 17, and 22-25, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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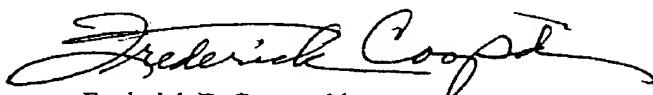


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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION

I certify that I transmitted via facsimile to (703) 872-9306 this Preliminary Amendment to Examiner Backer on May 6, 2005.



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